

advantage after the manner of their kind in such a way that no official fault could be found with them.

And behold when the fever had left him

and when he came to know of these things, the Chief Captain of the Host waxed exceeding wroth, and He exclaimed in the Doric tongue: "Gosh!!!"—which, being interpreted, signifies, controllable

being interpreted, signifies undecipherable things. He also exclaimed "Dum !!!" in capital letters, another Deric word well understood in the Army to which he added 'What the Deevil.....!' and then smoked three whole cigarettes before he recovered his usual calm of mind.

his usual calm of mind:
[At this point the language of the sage
Chronicler became so strong, and the air so
sulphureous that he had to be suppressed.
—Ed., O.M.]

**BOATING DISASTER IN
BUNTRY BAY.**

The following telegram was received at the Admiralty on the 29th May from the Captain of Her Majesty's ship *Collingwood*—

'Most deeply regret to report the probable loss of six first-class petty officers of this ship, who left Bantry on Thursday afternoon, in a hired sailing boat, intending to visit Glengarriff. Nothing has been heard of them since. The boat was seen off Glengarriff at half-past six last evening.

Boats were away searching yesterday afternoon, and I have despatched parties to scour coast to-day, assisted by coastguard and local police. The names of the missing men are,—W. Onif, J. Carter, A. E. Francis, A. R. J. Gale, A. C. Devorall, and C. Mackenzie. The boat's rudder was picked up on the beach late last night. I will telegraph again immediately any further traces have been discovered.

A further telegram received in the after-

A Plymouth evening paper announced that Mrs. Oath, the wife of one of the crew, had received the following telegram:—“Your husband and five other men went out in a private boat on Thursday afternoon. The boat is supposed to have capsized. Most deeply fear the worst, as none of the men have returned. Search parties have recovered three caps and a portion of the boat.”

A telegram on the 30th May stated that the addresses of five of the missing officers had been traced. The wives and families

of Oaff, Carter, and Gale reside at Plymouth. Francis, who was a single man, belonged to Torpoint, near Plymouth. Duverall hails from Bristol. The whereabouts of the friends of MacKenzie had not been discovered.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

CANADIAN LOYALTY AND NATIONAL UNION.
London, June 18.—A telegram to the Colonial Premier at Liverpool, Mr. Laurier the Canadian Premier, who was the principal speaker, aroused great enthusiasm on referring to the prosperity and content of the Colonies, which, he said, had banished all ill-will and all animosity, and engendered a desire for even closer union with Great Britain. The Premiers of Victoria and South Australia spoke in a similar spirit, and the former received an enthusiastic ovation.

SHOCK EARTHQUAKE SHOCK IN FRANCE.
The Seismograph at Grenoble recorded a shock of earthquake last Saturday evening.

FREEMASONRY AND THE EMPIRE.

June, 15.—The Empire Lodge of Freemasons last night gave a banquet to the Indians and Colonials. Owen Dunne in a speech on the occasion emphasised the fact that Masonry in India brings together

A TERRIBLE CATASTROPHE IN PISA
CATHEDRAL.
London, May 30. A terrible catastrophe occurred at the Cathedral of Pisa, in Italy, yesterday. The result of unravelling the image of the Madonna in the Cathedral was being performed in the presence of an enormous crowd. During the proceedings a lighted taper fell and ignited some of the decorations, with the result that the hangings in the vicinity were immediately ablaze, and the flames quickly spread to the roof. The flames were quickly extinguished, but during the rush from the sacred edifice a number of people were trampled upon and crushed to death. No less than seven were killed, while seventeen others were seriously injured.

THE BRITISH CONGRESS
London, May 31. The Hon. G. G. Duffy, who is acting as the representative of Australia at the Postal Congress now sitting

At Washington, is urging the Union not to agree to the reduction to 2d. per 100. proposed by Great Britain on mails to the Colonies.

Mr. Duffy objects to the British Government attempting to force the hands of the Colonies without having in the first place opened direct negotiations on the subject.

THE ATLANTIC MAIL SERVICE.
London, May 31st.—The terms of the contract may be said to be settled.

The following summary taken between the Canadian Government and Messrs Peterson, Tate, & Co., New York City, for a fast Atlantic service between Great Britain and Canada, and approved by the British Government, have been published by the subsidy to be paid by Canada is \$800,000 per annum. In return Peterson, Tate & Co. undertake to maintain a service for a period of ten years with at least four steamers of 10,000 tons register, at an average speed of twenty-one knots per hour. For the first twelve months of the contract the steamers will run fortnightly, but after that period

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THE ARMAMENTS OF INDIA.

Simla, June 11.—Arrangements are in progress under which a large supply of Martini-Henry rifles will be obtained from England to replace the worn-out rifles in the Native Regiments, the percentage of which is now very high. A full complement of Maxim guns for defence work in India and on the frontier has been obtained, and a number of 303 Maxims for the British Infantry are also coming out.

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July 1st.—at 4 P.M.

Station.	Barometer.	temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction. Force.	Weather.	Rain.
W'ootook.						
Tokio.						
Kochi.						
Nagasaki.						
Egashima.						
Quetta.						
Sharp Pk.	29.79	76	91	h 5	o	
Amoy.						
Santon.	29.74	78		h 2	o	
Canton.	29.76	79	82	h 1	o	
Hongkong.	29.71	77	97	ENE 5	or	
Yue P'ah.	29.68			ENE 5	or	
Gap Rock.	29.68			ENE 5	or	
Macao.	29.72	77		ENE 2	od	
Hai Phong.	29.64	78	89	h 5	r	
Bolnaso.	29.76	80	91	h 2	o	
Manila.	29.84	82	85	W 6	om	
O.R. James.				W 6	om	

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July 2nd.—at 10 A.M.

Station.	Barometer.	temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction. Force.	Weather.	Rain.
W'ootook.						
Tokio.						
Kochi.						
Nagasaki.						
Egashima.						
Quetta.						
Sharp Pk.	29.66	76	91	NW 4	b	
Amoy.						
Santon.						
Canton.	29.70	79	88	ENE 4	cq	
Hongkong.	29.70	79	88	ENE 6	cq	
Yue P'ah.	29.71			ENE 6	cq	
Gap Rock.	29.71			ENE 6	cq	
Macao.	29.76	77		ENE 5	c	
Hai Phong.	29.75	79	93	h 3	cr	
Bolnaso.	29.81	79	91	SE 2	o	
Manila.				SW 6	om	
O.R. James.				SW 6	om	

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On the 2nd at 11.25. The depression appears to have moved Westward to the S. of Hai Phong, where the barometer has since risen very quickly. In Hongkong the barometers again incline to fall, and another depression is probably forming in the N. part of the China Sea to the Southward of the Colony. Pressure is apparently abnormally high over Central China and gradients are steep on the S. and E. coast. Forecast: strong N.W. winds threatening, equally with some rain.

F. G.

